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## NEWSPAPERS

1. WASHPOST (MARDER AND OSNOS) IN FRONT PAGE PIECE HEADLINED "AUM OF KISSINGER TALKS: SWAP SALT FOR ANGOLA" LEAD QUESTION IS WHETHER U.S. WILL GET THAT TRADEOFF. BANTERING EXCHANGE IN FRONT OF PRESS AT START OF TALKS "SHOWED A SURPRISINGLY SHARP EDGE OVER ANGOLA" AND WAS "UNUSUALLY BLUNT." GIST OF KISSINGER LUNCHEON TOAST IS QUOTED: IMPORTANCE OF SALT, NEED FOR RESTRAINT AND RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER'S INTERESTS.

BREZHNEV SAYS PRIMARY SUBJECT ... IS ... A NEW SALT AGREEMENT, ... QUESTIONS OF REDUCTION OF FORCES IN EUROPE "AND OTHER TOPICS." HE EXPECTS TO VISIT WASHINGTON BUT AGREEMENT (ON SALT) MUST BE REACHED.

AIM OF KISSINGER VISIT FOR BOTH U.S. AND USSR IS AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE. SOVIET SOURCES SUGGEST ONE WAY IS TO AGREE NOW ON EVERYTHING BUT CRUISE AND BACKFIRE. SOME U.S. SOURCES STRESS NEED FOR SPECIFYING "CARRYOVER TERMS" FOR TWO UNRESOLVED ISSUES WITH U.S. POLITICAL CAMPAIGN LOOMING.

BESIDES QUESTIONS ON TERMS OF ANY SALT PACT, ADMINISTRATION EXAMINATION ON DETENTE AND ANGOLA. SOVIETS ARE INSISTING ON RIGHT TO SUPPORT MPLA BUT "ONE SOVIET SOURCE" INCLUDED CUBANS IN DEFINING JAN. 3 CALL FOR ALL FOREIGN WITHDRAWAL. THIS MAY SET THE STAGE FOR A TRADE-OFF.

2. NYTIMES (WREN): SOME CONCESSIONS ON BOTH SIDES ARE REPORTED. IT IS BELIEVED THEY CONCERN INCLUSION OF BACKFIRE AND CRUISE. A U.S. PARTICIPANT DECLINED TO GIVE ANY DETAILS, BUT VERIFICATION PROBLEM IS "REPORTED NEAR RESOLUTION." HOPE IS FOR AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE BY FRIDAY DEPARTURE.

KISSINGER RAISED ANGOLA IN OPENING ROUND BUT BREZHNEV IS REPORTED FIRM.

AN AMERICAN OFFICIAL SAYS BOTH SIDES BROUGHT A GOOD ATTITUDE BUT IT IS TOO EARLY TO TELL IF DEADLOCK CAN BE BROKEN.

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IN TOAST GROMYKO "INDIRECTLY ASSAILED THOSE AMERICANS WHO HAVE ACCUSED MOSCOW OF CHEATING" ON ARMS AGREEMENTS. KISSINGER TOAST REMARKS ALLUDING TO ANGOLA ARE BRIEFLY QUOTED.

KISSINGER-BREZHNEV EXCHANGE ON ANGOLA IS REPORTED.

3. NYDAILY NEWS (CARTER) WHILE PROMISING "MAJOR EFFORT ON SALT, KISSINGER AT LUNCHEON IMPLIED STRONGLY "THAT IN ANGOLA SOVIETS HAD VIOLATED PRINCIPLES OF DETENTE. THREE PARAGRAPHS OF TOAST ARE QUOTED IN FULL.

"RUSSIANS DID NOT WANT TO TALK ABOUT ANGOLA BUT .. THE AMERICANS INSISTED ... APPARENTLY DISGRUNTLED BREZHNEV." CARTER DESCRIBES THE SCENE.

BOXED COMPANION PIECE ON SAME PAGE (PAGE 6) LISTS SEVEN SECURITY REMINDERS GIVEN TO U.S. DELEGATION. TITLE: IN GOD WE TRUST - BUT NOT SOVIET.

4. WALL STREET JOURNAL: NO KEATLEY TODAY. SHORT ITEM IN WHAT'S NEWS COLUMN SAYS PROGRESS WAS MADE BUT NO BREAK-THROUGH YET.

EDITORIAL ON "MOBILE MISSILES" SAYS ONE UNIDENTIFIED HIGH U.S. OFFICIAL ACCUSES MOST OF U.S. GOVERNMENT OF "BUREAUCRATIC DIRTY POOL" WHEN EVERYONE IN THE BUREAUCRACY EXCEPT KISSINGER BACKED OFF FROM U.S. POSITION ON MOBILE MISSILES AS SOON AS RUSSIANS AGREED TO IT.

ISSUES ARE VERIFICATION AND SURVIVABILITY. MISSILE MOBILITY MAKES FOR MORE SURVIVABILITY AND MORE DIFFICULT VERIFICATION. SURVIVABILITY MAKES FOR GREATER STRATEGIC STABILITY SINCE OTHER SIDE KNOWS IT CANNOT KNOCK OUT YOUR MISSILES. IT "SHOULD NOT BE BARGAINED AWAY IN HASTE."

5. LATIMES (JOHNSTON): KISSINGER PURPOSE IS "TO STABILIZE A POLICY OF DETENTE THAT APPEARS INCREASINGLY VULNERABLE IN AN ELECTION YEAR." U.S. OFFICIALS SAY PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE BUT GIVE NO SPECIFICS.

IN ANGOLA-AGENDA EXCHANGE WITH BREZHNEV AND IN "CARE-FULLY DRAFTED" LUNCHEON TOAST, KISSINGER THREW "CONCERN THAT NEW ERA IN SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS IS IN TROUBLE ... IN PART CAUSED BY ANGOLA." ME COOPERATION OR BREZHNEV VISIT TO U.S. MIGHT BE "LIKELY PLACES" FOR U.S. RETALIATION FOR ANGOLA.

BREZHNEV IS QUOTED ON HIS U.S. VISIT AND A SALT AGREEMENT. GROMYKO'S STRESS ON SOVIET DESIRE FOR AN AGREEMENT IS CITED.

#### WIRES

1. AP (NO BYLINE) THOUGH HE THINKS "SO FAR THE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN VERY SERIOUS," THE QUESTION FOR KISSINGER IS HOW MUCH CAN BE DONE BEFORE HE LEAVES.

GROMYKO SAYS HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN AGREEMENT WITH PERIODS COMMAS, SIGNATURE.

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KISSINGER-BREZHNEV NOON SESSION HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL 6 PM BECAUSE OF A POLITBURO MEETING, IT IS ASSUMED. SOME SOVIET SOURCES MENTIONED A LENGTHY SESSION.

KISSINGER LEFT OPEN POSSIBILITY OF RETURN TO MOSCOW AFTER NATO MEETING BUT SAID "I THINK WE ARE ON A COURSE IN WHICH WE CAN TAKE THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE TO WASHINGTON AND SEE WHERE WE GO FROM THERE." KISSINGER HAD HOPED AT BEST TO GET A FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT, MAINLY BY RESOLVING BACKFIRE AND CRUISE, ACCORDING TO U.S. OFFICIALS. LAST WEEK U.S. PROPOSED TO CLASSIFY BOTH AS MEDIUM RANGE VEHICLES OUTSIDE VLADVISTOK LIMITS.

AP CITES BOSTON GLOBE WASHINGTON REPORT ON U.S. PROPOSALS:  
-- USSR TO GET 200-300 BACKFIRES AS MEDIUM RANGE BOMBERS OUTSIDE 2,400 LIMIT, NO LARGE FLEET OF TANKERS FOR REFUELING.

-- U.S. TO GET CRUISE MISSILES OUTSIDE 2,400 LIMIT, ONLY ABOARD SUBS, ADDITIONAL CRUISE TO BE COUNTED AGAINST 1,320 MIRVED ICBMS.

2. REUTER (NO BYLINE) THOUGH NO REASON WAS GIVEN FOR THE CANCELLATION OF A SCHEDULED ROUND THIS MORNING, SPECULATION WAS THAT POLITBURO WAS MEETING ON SALT. "INFORMED SOURCES SAID MR. KISSINGER WAITED IN VAIN..." UNTIL CALL CAME AND CANCELLATION OF MEETING WAS AGREED. HE AND GROMYKO WOULD BE LUNCHING AS PLANNED. AFTER TALKS YESTERDAY "U.S. OFFICIALS SAID THEY WERE NEARING A BREAKTHROUGH ON A KEY ISSUE INVOLVING" BACKFIRE AND CRUISE.

3. UPI (NO BYLINE) THOUGH ENCOURAGED ON SALT, KISSINGER HAS FAILED TO CHANGE SOVIET STAND ON ANGOLA, U.S. OFFICIALS SAID. BUT IT WAS TOO EARLY TO TELL IF SUCCESS ON SALT FRAMEWORK WOULD COME BY FRIDAY. KISSINGER SAYS TALKS ARE SERIOUS AND GAP HAS BEEN NARROWED. WHEN QUESTIONED ON SCENARIO HE TOLD REPORTERS THAT SCHEDULE WILL BE DICTATED BY THE NATIONAL INTEREST AND NEED FOR PEACE. EXTENSIVE QUOTATION OF KISSINGER REMARKS TO PRESS REFUSING TO SPECULATE ON TIMING OF FINAL OUTCOME.

#### TV/RADIO

IN ADDITION TO RERUNS OF LAST NIGHT'S FEEDS FROM DUNSMORE, VALERIANI AND KALB THE FOLLOWING TWO ITEMS WERE BROADCAST THIS MORNING:

1. BARRIE DUNSMORE, AMERICAN INFORMATION RADIO, ABC NEWS: THE STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TALKS CONTINUE HERE IN MOSCOW TODAY. THE U.S. SIDE SAYS THERE'S BEEN SOME PROGRESS BUT REFUSES TO PREDICT ANY BREAKTHROUGH. THERE'S BEEN NO PROGRESS AT ALL ON ANGOLA. KISSINGER BROUGHT IT UP YESTERDAY, BUT THE SOVIETS GAVE NO HINT THAT THEY HAD ANY NEW PLANS FOR THEIR ANGOLA POLICY. A U.S. OFFICIAL HAS SAID THAT ANGOLA COULD COME UP AGAIN TODAY, AS COULD THE MIDDLE EAST, WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN DISCUSSED.

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EVEN IF A BREAKTHROUGH IS NOT REACHED ON SALT, OFFICIALS SAY KISSINGER WOULD NOT EXTEND HIS MOSCOW STAY, AS HE HAS A NATO MEETING IN BRUSSELS TOMORROW, A STOP IN MADRID, AND ISRAELI PREMIER RABIN IN WASHINGTON ON MONDAY.

2. DALLAS TOWNSEND & BERNIE KALB, CBS RADIO, WORLD NEWS ROUNDUP:

TOWNSEND: SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER PLAYED HOST TODAY IN MOSCOW TO ANDREI GROMYKO, GIVING A LUNCHEON FOR THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER AT THE RESIDENCE OF THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR. CBS NEWS CORRESPONDENT BERNARD KALB ASKED KISSINGER HOW THE TALKS ON A NEW STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION AGREEMENT ARE GOING:

KISSINGER: I THINK BOTH SIDES HAVE BEEN VERY SERIOUS. WE HAVE MADE SOME SUGGESTIONS. THE SOVIETS HAVE MADE SOME COUNTER PROPOSALS. WE RESPONDED TO THOSE, AND THEY'RE STUDYING THEM NOW.

KALB: DO YOU HAVE ANY FEELING, MR. SECRETARY, ABOUT WHAT THE OUTCOME OF THE NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT BE?

KISSINGER: I WOULDN'T WANT TO SPECULATE.

KALB: DO YOU FEEL AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT GO EITHER TOWARD SUCCESS, OR POSSIBLY EVEN FAILURE?

KISSINGER: WELL, AS I'VE INDICATED, MANY POSSIBILITIES. WE COULD MAKE SOME PROGRESS. WE COULD STALEMATE. WE WILL DO WHAT WE BELIEVE TO BE IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST. AND I THINK SO FAR THE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN VERY SERIOUS, WITH BOTH SIDES MAKING RESPONSIBLE PROPOSALS AND NARROWING THE GAP. I THINK THAT WE'RE ON A COURSE IN WHICH CAN TAKE THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE TO WASHINGTON, AND SEE WHERE WE GO FROM HERE.

KALB: WELL, HOW WOULD YOU THINK THAT WOULD BE INTERPRETED THEN, IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE FULL AGREEMENT, AND ONLY THE PROGRESS?

KISSINGER: I HAVE NEVER SAID THERE WOULD BE A FULL AGREEMENT WHILE I'M HERE. AND WE'RE NOT ON ANY PARTICULAR SCHEDULE. OUR SCHEDULE IS WHAT IS NEEDED FOR THE PEACE OF THE WORLD.

TOWNSEND: THE MORNING SESSION OF THE MOSCOW TALKS IN WHICH KISSINGER AND GROMYKO ARE TAKING PART WAS CALLED OFF FOR UNEXPLAINED REASONS, BUT THE TALKS ARE EXPECTED TO RESUME LATER TODAY.

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